

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Soto

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to specialty license plates; amending
3 s. 320.08056, F.S.; revising the annual use fee for
4 the Florida Wildflower license plate; amending s.
5 320.08058, F.S.; revising provisions for distribution
6 and use of fees collected from the sale of certain
7 specialty license plates; providing an effective date.
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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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11 Section 1. Paragraph (aa) of subsection (4) of section
12 320.08056, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

13 320.08056 Specialty license plates.—

14 (4) The following license plate annual use fees shall be
15 collected for the appropriate specialty license plates:

16 (aa) Florida Wildflower license plate, \$25 ~~\$15~~.

17 Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (4) and subsection
18 (27) of section 320.08058, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

19 320.08058 Specialty license plates.—

20 (4) FLORIDA SALUTES VETERANS LICENSE PLATES.—

21 (b) The Florida Salutes Veterans license plate annual use
22 fee shall be distributed as follows:

23 1. Twenty ~~Ten~~ percent shall be distributed to a direct-
24 support organization created under s. 292.055 ~~for a period not~~
25 ~~to exceed 48 months after the date the direct support~~
26 ~~organization is incorporated.~~

27 2. Any remaining fees must be deposited in the State Homes
28 for Veterans Trust Fund, which is created in the State Treasury.
29 All such moneys are to be administered by the Department of

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30 Veterans' Affairs and must be used solely for the purpose of
31 constructing, operating, and maintaining domiciliary and nursing
32 homes for veterans and for continuing promotion and marketing of
33 the license plate, subject to the requirements of chapter 216.

34 (27) FLORIDA WILDFLOWER LICENSE PLATES.—

35 (a) The department shall develop a Florida Wildflower
36 license plate as provided in this section. The word "Florida"
37 must appear at the top of the plate, and the words "State
38 Wildflower" and "coreopsis" must appear at the bottom of the
39 plate.

40 (b) The annual use fees shall be distributed to the Florida
41 Wildflower Foundation, Inc., a nonprofit corporation under s.
42 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The proceeds must be
43 used to establish native Florida wildflower research programs,
44 wildflower educational programs, and wildflower grant programs
45 to municipal, county, and community-based groups in this state.

46 1. The Florida Wildflower Foundation, Inc., shall develop
47 procedures of operation, research contracts, education and
48 marketing programs, and wildflower planting grants for Florida
49 native wildflowers, plants, and grasses.

50 2. A maximum of 20 ~~15~~ percent of the proceeds from the sale
51 of such plates may be used for administrative and marketing
52 costs.

53 3. If the Florida Wildflower Foundation, Inc., ceases to be
54 an active nonprofit corporation under s. 501(c)(3) of the
55 Internal Revenue Code, the proceeds from the annual use fee
56 shall be deposited into the General Inspection Trust Fund
57 created within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer
58 Services. Any funds held by the Florida Wildflower Foundation,

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59 Inc., must be promptly transferred to the General Inspection
60 Trust Fund. The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
61 shall use and administer the proceeds from the use fee in the
62 manner specified in this paragraph.

63 Section 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 2013.